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An Indian settlement was then located at the point where the Humber's waters steal quietly into the lake. It remained there for more than a hundred years, long before the city of Toronto was born to the world as "Muddy York".

Beside the restaurant are the ruins of the Old Mill itself. Its grey walls were old when our grandparents were young. To-day it is only a shell, mellowed by time, winds and rain. Creepers cover the stones and a tree has grown up within the walls.

The Old Mill Restaurant is completely in keeping with those historic bygone days. Built of the stone that is ice-borne down the Humber Valley, it is a veritable museum of relics from the busy days that are gone. The Old Mill Stream winds its course beside it and whispers of the past and the promise of the future, while the glowing golden lights from the windows of the restaurant gleam on the rugged stone walls of the historic old building. The whole is a place of beauty, romance and sweet memories, "Down By The Old Mill Stream".

Down by the Old Mill Stream

TELL TAYLOR.

Andante espressivo.

PIANO.

f *slow* *dim.*

p

My dar - ling I am dream - ing, of the days gone
The old millwheel is si - lent, and has fall - en

p

by, When you and I were sweet - hearts, be -
down, The old oak tree has with - ered, and

neath the sum - mer sky; Your hair has turned to
lies there on the ground; While you and I are

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sil - ver, the gold has fad - ed too; But
sweet - hearts, the same as days of yore; Al -

still I will re - mem - ber, where I first met you.
- thoughwe've been to - geth - er, for - ty years and more.

Chorus. Valse lento.

pp-ff *not fast.*

Down by the old mill stream, where I first

pp-ff

met you, With your eyes of blue, dressed in

ging - ham too, It was there I

knew, that you loved me true, You were six -

very slow

with the voice

-teen, my vil - lage queen, by the old

rit.

rit.

mill stream, Down by the stream.

1.

2.

f

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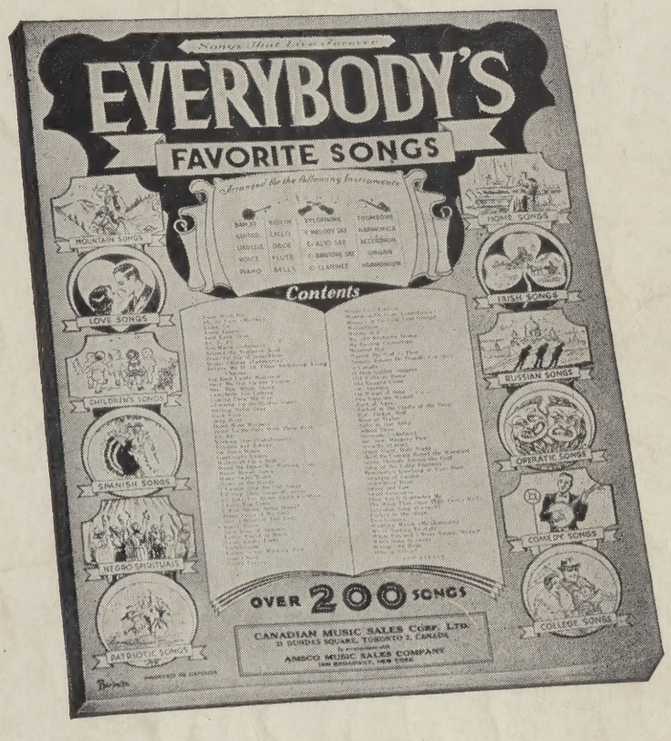

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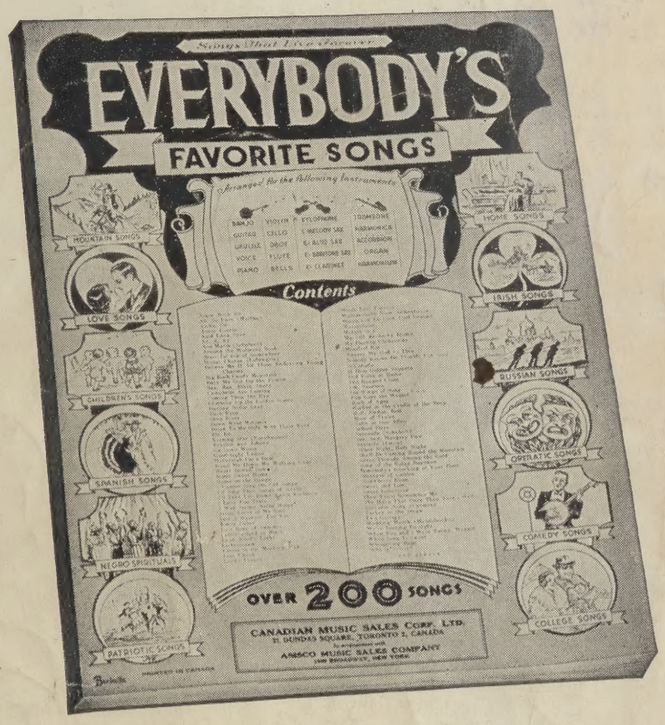

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